Chevy Chase Village Building & Tree Removal Permits

Permits Issued-September 2013

Building Permits

Permit # Address		Type of Work	
6435 6433 6432 6431 6429 6428 6426 6425	15 Oxford Street 136 Grafton Street 5614 Kirkside Drive 7 Newlands Street 7 Newlands Street 5511 Montgomery Street 108 Summerfield Road 130 Hesketh Street	Install external air conditioning unit in west (side) yard. Construct new fence in side and rear yards. Replace gas service. Install new 1-½" water service. Install geothermal system. Construct replacement deck in same location. Install new gas service. Replace fence in-kind in side yards.	
6424 6422	27 West Kirke Street 111 Newlands Street	Interior alterations and new deck over existing patio. Modify existing stoop and walkway.	

Tree Removal Permits

Permit	# Address	Type of Tree	Reason for Removal
2097 2096 2095 2094 2093 2091 2090 2088	49 West Lenox Street 11 Hesketh Street 10 Quincy Street 5514 Center Street 32 West Kirke Street 37 Oxford Street 12 West Kirke Street 3 Newlands Street	 (1) Tulip Poplar (1) Swamp Oak (1) Bradford Pear; (2) Black Cherry (1) Japanese Maple (1) Weeping Cherry (2) Spruce (5) Leland Cypress (1) Tupelo 	Hollow. Split leader with crotch decay. Dead; one cherry has large hollows. Dead. Dead. Hazardous. Dead or declining. Dead.
2087 2086	19 West Kirke Street 4 East Irving Street	(1) Hemlock (1) Mulberry	Too close to foundation; wind hazard. Split top; hazardous to Pepco wires.

Expiring Permit Notices Mailed This Month

Permit	t# Address	Type of Work
6229	15 Newlands Street	Install irrigation system.

Chevy Chase Village Permitting and Code Enforcement Activity September 2013

Telephone Queries: +/- 90

Walk-Ins: +/- 55

Pre-Design Review Meetings: 3

Municipality Letters (issued to the County for new projects): 7

Administrative Building Permits Issued: 7 Building; 1 Dumpster; 0 Courtesy; 1 Portable Storage Unit; 3 Utility.

Licenses to Use the Public Right-of-Way: 0

Appeals: One (1) variance request and one (1) special permit request were prepared this month.

Administrative Appeals: 0

Enforcement Incidents: Routine code enforcement patrols and site inspections of construction projects were conducted. Additionally:

- Minor infractions: removal of commercial signs; citing unpermitted real estate sign; identifying unpermitted dumpster; identifying unscreened porta-john.

Coordinated with Public Works for the reinstallation of the benches in the Cedar Parkway unimproved public right-of-way.

- Police reported to staff for what appeared to be unauthorized removal of two trees in the rear yard of a property. The contractor maintained the work was pruning, however after observing sizable branches being removed, staff called in the consulting arborist to assess the work.

- Responded to complaints regarding overgrown shrubbery on Quincy Street and Brookville Road.

- Responded to complaints about tree removals at 5910 Cedar Parkway.

<u>Tree Requests:</u> 11 tree inspections or tree preservation plans related to building projects were requested. <u>Administrative Tree Removal Permits:</u> 10 permits were issued for removal of a total of seventeen (17) trees (five (5) of these were a row of severely declining Leland Cypress along a rear property line). <u>Tree Ordinance Board:</u> The Tree Ordinance Board wrapped up one consent agreement with a contract

purchaser regarding an appeal for removal of two (2) trees at a property. Two new appeals are in process.

Expired Permit Memos Sent: 1

Additional Activity:

- As liaison to the Building Code Review Committee, staff continues working with the Committee on developing an initial draft of recommended Code revisions, to be presented to the Board.
- As liaison to the Local Advisory Panel (LAP), staff attended a committee meeting- minutes are available on the Village web site.
- Oversaw bid and award of contract for repairs to the railings at the Post Office.

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